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AMPLIFICATION)

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Office Action mailed on July 3, 2001, kindly enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks in connection with the above-captioned application. Applicants note that the period for responding to the Examiner's Final Office Action was extended by a Notice of Appeal filed by Applicants on January 3, 2002, and further by a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time filed herewith.

Amendments**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace Example 5 appearing at page 29, lines 4-20, of the specification with the following:

Example 5

In this experiment, the effect of mixing a single oligonucleotide sequence with two different 3' modifications was demonstrated. Three nmol of target RNA was amplified as in Example 1. The promoter-primer was synthesized with an unblocked 3'-end, blocked with RP, or CO blocked.

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